GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1960
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Cardiac Stent Price
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has revealed that hospitals make a killing on stents by 10-65 per cent on each stent;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps the Ministry is taking to regulate and control the price of stent and to make it accessible to the needy and poor patients?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS, ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS AND SHIPPING (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)
(a) & (b): National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Authority (NPPA) considered all available data on prices of Coronary Stents and found that huge unethical mark-ups are charged at each stage in the supply chain of coronary stents.
(c): NPPA vide notification no. S.O. 412(E) dated 13.02.2017 has fixed the ceiling prices of coronary stents under two categories i.e. Bare Metal Stent at INR 7260 per unit and Drug Eluting Stents (DES) including metallic DES and Bioresorbable Vascular Scaffold (BVS)/ Biodegradable Stents at INR 29600 per unit. NPPA is also monitoring that there is no shortage of Stents in the market and the price capping is adhered to.
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